TO ASK MODIFIED CIVIL SERVICE IN POLICE SELECTION

Commissioner Edgar After Laws Which Will Make Departments More Permanent and Efficient.

John B. Edgar, commissioner of fire and police, is planning to ask the next session of the legislature to pass a modified civil service law, which will bring about officiency and permanency in the two depart-

Mr. Edgar points out that it has been the custom in the past for each incoming commissioner of fire and police to have a shakeup in the per-sonnel of the departments. He does not hope to stop this practice, but he does hope to make it harder to let out a man who has demonstrated that he is a good officer or fireman. The bill Mr. Edgar will seek to

have made into law will provide for an officer or fireman who has sucan officer or fireman who has successfully passed the civil service examination to be placed on the force
for a probation period of three
months. At the end of that time
the candidate will be given an examination in practical work by a
commission of officers of the police
or fire departments. If this examination reveals that the man has the
making of a fireman or policeman making of a fireman or policeman he will be retained for one year. At the end of that period he will

At the end of that period he will be given another examination by the same board. If he successfully shows that he has the qualities for his work, he will be admitted to full rank immediately. This, Mr. Edgar states, will advance a man to full rank in one year instead of five, as at present, but will make the ad-vancement depend upon merit, rather vancement depend upon merit, rather than to work automatically without regard to merit, as under the present system.

Under the provisions of the bill, all complaints will be heard by the proposed commission of practical officers. The commissioner, of course,

proposed commission of practical of-ficers. The commissioner, of course, would still have the power to over-rule the recommendations of this commission, but it is hardly probable that this would be done in the case where the commission found that the man under charges had been found to be a good officer and had been maligned maligned.
The schools now maintained for the

instruction of firemen and police-men would be maintained and en-larged, so that new men on the forces would be given every opportunity to become efficient in their professions. Should they fail, under these conditions, to develop the necessary qualities within one year, Mr. Edgar believes they would not have the qualities necessary for making a policeman or fireman in their makeups. The plan would make promotions the result of merit, rather than tions the result of merit, rather than automatic, and would tend toward increasing the efficiency of the two

departments.

The plan is in line with that in force in Boston. Mr. Edgar has made an exhaustive study of the systems under which the departments of most of the large cities are run and he believes this is the best he has found. Some of the systems, he says, are so ound about by the restrictions of a bound about by the restrictions of a strict civil service, that their ef-ficiency is lowered. Others, without civil service, are dominated by poli-tics. He believes that the middle ground outlined above is the happy medium between the two extremes.

PARALYSIS OF MINING INDUSTRY THREATENED

MEXICO CITY, Mexico, Dec. 14.— With approximately one-third of the republic's silver and copper mines this week will take emergency measures to prevent complete paralysis of the industry, according to a treasury department statement. More than 500,000 laborers would be made idle if all the mines closed. The action is expected to take the form of a presidential decree reducing freight rates and federal taxes and annulling laws restricting the impertation of materials, such as steel, powder, acids and toots,

MARRIAGES.

Mrs. R. E. Edmondson and E. L. Terry, Winnie Branyon and Otis Bagley, Mrs. Grace B. Flanigan and Frank Fowler, Lida Bell Carraway and Frank E. Friend, Martha C. Sherrod and Richard F. Galnes, Myrtle U. Frantham and George E. Noblin, Velma Castleberry and J. J. Boggan, Annelia Kiersky and R. B. Kline, Evelyn Kreiger and E. H. Davis. Anna Boyd and Homer Jennings, Mai

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Lucile Crain and W. G. Reed, Jr., Zlophor Morris and J. A. Wilson, Gladys Johnson and George Ryan, Lurene Hamilton and Ed C. Glddings, Leah Maria Deloach and Albert Franklin Scott, May Boutwell and Jim Nelson, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Thils and V. P. Franks, Beatrice Hudson and E. T. White,

Annie Plunkett and Joe Clark, Re-berca Johnson and Tom Young, Blanche Daisy Fouler and Henry Walker, Daisy Belle Dean and Emmett Bailey, Martha Parker and Pete Sanders, Maude Hutch-ins and M. O. Burt

BIRTHS.

James White and Alice Margaret Warder, 1064th Monroe Dec. 8; girl. Edward and Alice O'Brien Reneinger, 882 North Second, Dec. 10; hoy. Henry and Leanner Riley, Jr., 386 Humphrey, Dec. 2; girl. Aaron and Annie Parker Reed. 224 South Fourth, Dec. 1; girl

DEATHS

Israel Evans, 44, 714 Maple, Nov. 20; gunshot wounds. Rance Donnaway, 63, 33 White street. Hance Donnaway, 63, 53 White street, Dec. 9; bronchial pneumonia.

James Beasley, 19. Memphis General hospital, Dec. 6; fracture of skuil.

Nelson Mosby, 23, Jane Terrel Baptist bospital, Dec. 6; paralysis.

Mathias Frederick, 52, Perkasic Pa. Dec. 10; (secidental fail) broken spine Christine Giobs, 84 Bush infirmary. Dec. 12; arterio scierosis.

Ellzabeth Weils 83, Halls, Tenn., Dec. 11; lung disease.

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Roland, Dec. 12, pneumonia.
Mrs. Martha Parks Ballentine, 88,
768 Leath, Dec. 19; apoplexy.
Mrs. Cynthia Elmina Griffin, 79, 726
Galloway, Dec. 11; broncho pneumonia.
Grady Doyle Stacks, 4, St. Joseph s.
hospital, Dec. 10; broncho pneumonia.
Minnie Lowery, 18, 266 Walnut, Dec.
10; tubercular meningitis.
John M. Griffin, 38, 622 McDavitt,
Dec. 16; puimonary tuberculosis.
Mrs. Mary 16a Haynes, 53, 1056 Lauderdie. Dec. 12; nephritis.
Ellen Morrison Dorlon, 82, 1289 Vinton, Dec. 8; noute endo-carditis.
John J. Walsh, 64, 273 Maryland,
Dec. 13; chronic nephritis.
Cassel King, 20, Memphis Genral hospital, Dec. 12; peritonitis.
Will Johnson, 41, 594 Autumn, Dec.
10; pellagra.
Jessie Dyson, 24, 927 Main, extended,
Dec. 10; neuralgia and neuritis.
Leanna Scales, 43, 859 Randie, Dec.
10; pellagra.
Jessie Dyson, 24, 927 Main, extended,
Dec. 10; neuralgia and neuritis.
Leale Reed, 27, Memphis General
hospital, Dec. 8; gunshot wound.
Wash Hamlett, 47, Memphis General
hospital, Dec. 1; neute appendictis.
Katie Shelley, 38, 1491 Adelaide, Dec.
9; unknown.
Florine Bullock, 36, Jane Terrell hos-

Ratie Shears, 8; unknown. Florine Bullock, 36, Jane Terrell hos-pital, Dec. 13; goltre. John Johnson, 39, 922 Knight, Dec.

AMUSEMENTS

Orpheum.

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Was it Louise Dresser who someone once termed "Pacific Sunshine." Whether or no, the appelation is a good one for the bundle of personality, who, with Jack Gardner, is heading this week's Orpheum bill. She has the ever-presept smile, the likeable mannersms and truly is an engaging show woman.

With Gardner, friend husband, she puts over a talking and singing turn which adds much to the pleasing properties of the rew bill. As a whole, the Orpheum attraction is not as good as the previous week. However, who can expect the best at all times.

More than acceptable is the little playlet, "The Love Game," which Harry Hayder has brought to Memphis. It deals with the trials and tribuiations of a bumptuous young man who hessitates in love. Situations are well-worked up by a good supporting cast. Flo Cunningham and George Ford have a comedy skit that gets the laughs. The vamp section of this team is good to look upon. Rose Clare makes an ideal girl of 1950. The Monday right audience went strong for her conception of the young woman 20 years hence.

Pody and Burman have some fly stuff that attracts. Ruth Howell is a har and ring artist with a good company for this kind of an act.

Bike riders are Gordon and Day who work in the closing spot.

State

Strand.

Many of the admirers of Wallace Reid Paramount star, will perhaps be disappointed to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is supporting the supporting the substrant is good to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is a repair to be disappointed to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is a popular star wears a like suppointed to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is a popular star wears a like suppointed to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is a popular star wears a like suppointed to learn that in his new picture, "Always Audacious." which is a suppoint on engaging show in the strand theater all this as a popular star wears a like sweek, the popular star we

State.

One would scarcely suspect that Harry Hines, versatile headliner at Loew's State theater for the first half of this week, was formerly a newsle, but such is the case. Hines seldom forgets that he was once selling papers upon the streets for a living. Because of this fact, Hines has done a great deal to better the station of the newsie in many cities and in other large cities has sold papers upon the streets, the proceeds going toward raising funds to form a club where they could enjoy reading matter and have regular meetings. Only because of the fact that Memphis already has an organized Newsboys' club, did Hines forego his plan here.

Lyceum.

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"Madame Peacock." Loew-Metro pholodrama, with Nazimova in the leading dual role, playing the first half of the week at Loew's Lyceum, is pleasing capacity audiences daily. The great Russian actress is winning more plaudits with this than any picture she has produced in years. This praise is more the welcome to Nazimova because the production is virtually one she herself has half the biggest part in, for the play is written by herself, basing the picture upon the story by Rita Weiman. It is a peculiar feature that while Nazimova in one of her roles enacts the part of a temperamental actress, the star herself is not the least inclined this way and noted critics of the East have paid her the compliment of calling her the least temperamental of all great actresses.

Moving Pictures

Princess.

Life in a fashionable boarding school for girls, the comradeship of some and the petty jealousies of others are cleverly depicted in the screen version of Le Roy Scott's novel, "A Dauwhter of Two Worlds," to be shown at the Princess theater beginning Wednesday, Norma Talmadge is the star. She takes the part of Jenne, daughter of Black Jerry Maione, proprietor of a notorious underworld cabaret.

FARM WAGES CUT.

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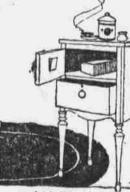
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